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REMARKS

This response is intended as a full and complete response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 20, 2006. In the Action, the Examiner notes that claims 1-7 and 10 are pending of which claims 1-6 are allowed and claims 7 and 9 are rejected.

DOUBLE PATENTING

The Examiner has rejected claims 7 and 9 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claim 18 of U.S. Patent No. 6,378,036. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection with the enclosed terminal disclaimer.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicants thank the Examiner for the allowance of claims 1-6.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that all of the claims pending in the application are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Lea A. Nicholson or Eamon J. Wall at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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